

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

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Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement: US 281 Corridor Project, from Loop 1604 to Borgfeld Drive, in Bexar County, Texas.

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (Alamo RMA)

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of TxDOT and Alamo RMA, announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a proposed highway project in Bexar County, Texas.

DATES: The public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2013 at San Antonio Shrine Auditorium, 901 North Loop 1604 West, San Antonio 78232. An open house will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to allow for questions and viewing of project exhibits. A formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by a public comment period. Announcements will be published in the *San Antonio Express-News* and *La Prensa*. More information can be found at <http://www.411on281.com/us281eis/>.

ADDRESSES: The Draft Environmental Impact Statement is available for review at the following locations: (1) Alamo Regional Mobility Authority, 613 N.W. Loop 410, Ste. 100, San Antonio, TX 78216; (2) Texas Department of Transportation, 4615 N.W. Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78229; (3) Jacobs Engineering Group, 911 Central Parkway North, Suite 425, San Antonio, TX 78232; (4) Parman Branch Library at Stone Oak, 20735 Wilderness Oak, San Antonio, TX 78258; (5) Brook Hallow Branch Library, 530 Heimer Road, San Antonio, TX 78232; and (6) San Antonio Central Library, 600 Soledad Street, San Antonio, TX 78205. A digital version of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement may be downloaded from the project website at <http://www.411on281.com/us281eis/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Salvador Deocampo, District Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Texas Division, 300 East 8th Street, Room 826, Austin, Texas 78701. Telephone (512) 536-5960. Comments on the Draft EIS will be accepted until July 1, 2013 and should be directed to Mr. Deocampo at the above address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Pursuant to 23 C.F.R. 771.123, FHWA is advising the public of the availability of the approved Draft Environmental Impact Statement on a proposal for a highway project in Bexar County, Texas. The US 281 Corridor Project would extend approximately 8 miles, add additional travel lanes, and would include four direct connector ramps that comprise the northern half of the US 281 interchange with Loop 1604. The build alternatives have three funding options: non-toll, toll and managed lanes. Controlled access is proposed from Loop 1604 to Borgfeld Drive. The social, economic, and environmental impacts of the proposed project have been analyzed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

A total of two build alternatives, in addition to the No-Build Alternative, are presented in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Anticipated federal approvals include a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Opinion and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permits.